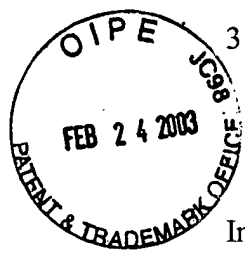


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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: Gloria R. Weeks
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	:	Group Art Unit: 3721
Application No.: 09/582,890)	
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Filed: July 7, 2000)	
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For: POWER OPERATED PISTON)	February 24, 2003
TOOL WITH PISTON	:	
AUTOMATIC RETURN)	

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the document listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A Copy of the listed document is enclosed for the Examiner's convenience.

In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.97(b)(4) this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of a request of a request for a continued examination under § 1.114.

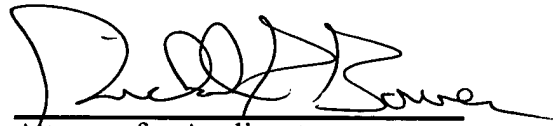
Applicants believe that no fee is required. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees deemed necessary and to make any refunds to Deposit Account 50-1710.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the below-listed information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 625-3500. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard P. Bauer", written over a horizontal line.

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